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Washington, DC  
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**Note:** New vendors and subcontractors must supply all of the required paperwork (Appendix I, Financial Statement, and 3 Reference Letters), and must register in the Online Representations and Certifications Application (ORCA). In addition, all vendors must also be registered in the CCR within 48 hours after bid opening or your company may be considered non-responsive.

FV-308

Fruit and Vegetable Programs

Date Issued: July 30, 2008

Dehydrated Potatoes, Announcement FV-308, Invitation 025

The Department of Agriculture (USDA) invites offers to sell dehydrated potatoes as indicated below and per the Announcement for use in needy family and related domestic food assistance programs. Offers are due by 1 p.m., Central Time, **Friday August 15, 2008**. Acceptances will be announced by midnight, August 29, 2008. Deliveries are to be made from October 1, 2008 through December 31, 2008.

Offers are invited from the trade for:

Dehydrated Potatoes, Flakes	12/1 lb	125,000 cases
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**No offer will be made to the 8(a) vendors on this invitation.**

All prime vendors are reminded that they are prohibited from subcontracting with companies or individuals that have been suspended or debarred.

All invitations with orders for the state of New York must have the pack date stamped on the outside of each carton. The pack date should be annotated as per the following example: (05/01/2003). Orders for the state of New York requiring the special markings will be indicated by (\*\*). This applies to New York orders "Only", if and when they appear on an invitation.

**Destinations with split shipments that are unspecified on the invitation are indicated by a single asterisk (\*).**

Bids must be submitted electronically via the Domestic Electronic Bid Entry System (DEBES) on the Internet. Offerors who submit bids using other than DEBES, will be deemed non-responsive. Offeror must be assigned a Logon ID by USDA to access the site. The Internet address is: <https://pcsd.usda.gov:3077/mdbc1000.exe> which translates into a connection of <https://pcsd.usda.gov:3077/mdbc1000.exe>. Once connected, follow the online procedures. A 'HELP' button provides detailed instructions for using the system or call 202-720-4517 for assistance.

**Bidders are cautioned to bid only on quantities they can reasonably expect to produce and deliver in accordance with the contract.** Inquiries about Announcement FV-308, Appendix-1, and the Commodity Specification for Dehydrated Potatoes dated May 2004, as amended, or this Invitation should be directed to the Contracting Officer, USDA/AMS/Fruit and Vegetable Programs, Commodity Procurement Branch STOP 0239, 1400 Independence Avenue, S.W., Washington, DC 20250-9410, telephone (202) 720-4517. An electronic version of this invitation can be obtained through the World Wide Web via the Commodity Procurement Home Page at <http://www.ams.usda.gov/cp>.

Purchases will be made on a delivered basis, subject to Announcement FV-308, to the listed locations. Destination quantities are estimates and are subject to adjustment based on offerings, changes in recipient need, market conditions, and program operations. Delivery by trucks or railcars is optional to the contractor, except for those destination(s) which specify delivery by truck only or rail only.

ANNOUNCEMENT : FV308  
 INVITATION : 025  
 COMM GROUP : 37 VEGETABLES, DEHYDRATED  
 COMM TYPE : 10 POTATOES, FLAKES, DEHYDRATED  
 PACK SIZE : 10 12/1 LB PACKAGE

ITEM NO	DESTINATION CITY	ST	TRANS RESTR	QUANTITY (CSE)	PRICE PER (CSE)
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DELIVERY PERIOD 10/01/08 - 10/15/08					
001	HOMESTEAD	FL	TRUCK ONLY	1,438	_____
	WINTER HAVEN	FL		1,062	
002	JACKSONVILLE	FL	TRUCK ONLY	811	_____
	MIAMI	FL	TRUCK ONLY	1,064	
	ORLANDO	FL	TRUCK ONLY	625	
003	HOMESTEAD	FL	TRUCK ONLY	1,474	_____
	WINTER HAVEN	FL		1,026	
004	JACKSON	MS	TRUCK ONLY	2,500	_____
005	COVINGTON	TN	TRUCK ONLY	708	_____
	DYERSBURG	TN	TRUCK ONLY	1,792	
006	JOHNSON CITY	TN	TRUCK ONLY	972	_____
	KNOXVILLE	TN		1,528	
007	CHICAGO	IL	TRUCK ONLY	2,500	_____
008	BATTLE CREEK	MI	TRUCK ONLY	750	_____
	FLINT	MI	TRUCK ONLY	1,000	
	WARREN	MI	TRUCK ONLY	750	
009	GALLUP	NM	TRUCK ONLY	2,500	_____
010	HOUSTON	TX	TRUCK ONLY	2,500	_____
011	CARTHAGE	MO	TRUCK ONLY	2,500	_____
012	OMAHA	NE	TRUCK ONLY	2,500	_____
013	SACRAMENTO	CA	TRUCK ONLY	2,500	_____

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014	EVERETT	WA	TRUCK ONLY	502	
	OLYMPIA	WA	TRUCK ONLY	1,352	
	SHELTON	WA	TRUCK ONLY	646	
DELIVERY PERIOD 10/16/08 - 10/31/08					
015	BIRMINGHAM	AL	TRUCK ONLY	1,138	
	MONTGOMERY	AL	TRUCK ONLY	1,362	
016	BIRMINGHAM	AL	TRUCK ONLY	672	
	HUNTSVILLE	AL	TRUCK ONLY	933	
	THEODORE	AL	TRUCK ONLY	895	
017	JACKSONVILLE	FL	TRUCK ONLY	950	
	PACE	FL	TRUCK ONLY	1,550	
018	WINTER HAVEN	FL		2,500	
019	ORLANDO	FL	TRUCK ONLY	1,800	
	WINTER HAVEN	FL		700	
020	COLUMBIA	SC	TRUCK ONLY	2,500	
021	CHATTANOOGA	TN	TRUCK ONLY	1,796	
	DUNLAP	TN	TRUCK ONLY	704	
022	CHICAGO	IL	TRUCK ONLY	2,500	
023	MAPLEWOOD	MN	TRUCK ONLY	2,500	
024	CLEVELAND	OH	TRUCK ONLY	2,500	
025	DARIEN	WI	TRUCK ONLY	2,500	
026	LITTLE ROCK	AR	TRUCK ONLY	2,500	

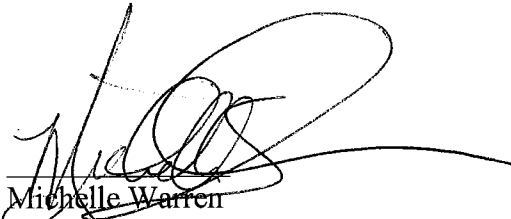
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027	AMARILLO	TX	TRUCK ONLY	1,250	_____
	LUBBOCK	TX	TRUCK ONLY	1,250	_____
028	SALT LAKE CITY	UT	TRUCK ONLY	2,500	_____
029	LONG BEACH	CA	TRUCK ONLY	2,500	_____
030	OLYMPIA	WA	TRUCK ONLY	1,252	_____
	SPOKANE	WA	TRUCK ONLY	721	_____
	YAKIMA	WA	TRUCK ONLY	527	_____
DELIVERY PERIOD 11/01/08 - 11/15/08					
031	COOKEVILLE	TN	TRUCK ONLY	1,875	_____
	GRAY	TN	TRUCK ONLY	625	_____
032	CHATTANOOGA	TN	TRUCK ONLY	1,446	_____
	NASHVILLE	TN	TRUCK ONLY	1,054	_____
033	CHICAGO	IL	TRUCK ONLY	2,500	_____
034	GARDEN GROVE	CA	TRUCK ONLY	1,250	_____
	SAN BERNARDINO	CA	TRUCK ONLY	1,250	_____
035	LOS ANGELES	CA	TRUCK ONLY	2,500	_____
036	MODESTO	CA	TRUCK ONLY	850	_____
	SACRAMENTO	CA	TRUCK ONLY	1,650	_____
037	SEATTLE	WA	TRUCK ONLY	1,746	_____
	TACOMA	WA	TRUCK ONLY	754	_____

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038	FAYETTEVILLE	TN	TRUCK ONLY	1,235	_____
	MEMPHIS	TN	TRUCK ONLY	1,265	_____
DELIVERY PERIOD 12/01/08 - 12/15/08					
039	ERIN	TN	TRUCK ONLY	625	_____
	HENDERSON	TN	TRUCK ONLY	1,875	_____
040	MEMPHIS	TN	TRUCK ONLY	1,411	_____
	NASHVILLE	TN	TRUCK ONLY	1,089	_____
041	CHICAGO	IL	TRUCK ONLY	2,500	_____
042	CARTHAGE	MO	TRUCK ONLY	2,500	_____
043	LOS ANGELES	CA	TRUCK ONLY	2,500	_____
DELIVERY PERIOD 12/16/08 - 12/31/08					
044	JACKSONVILLE/FAS	FL	TRUCK ONLY	12,500	_____
	(PUERTO RICO)				
045	CHATTANOOGA	TN	TRUCK ONLY	534	_____
	KNOXVILLE	TN	TRUCK ONLY	1,170	_____
	NASHVILLE	TN	TRUCK ONLY	796	_____
046	CHICAGO	IL	TRUCK ONLY	2,500	_____
TOTAL QUANTITY FOR COMMODITY TYPE				125,000	
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